## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

Administrative Order No. 94-13

IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF A MERIT SELECTION PANEL FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

as amended (28 In accordance with the Federal Magistrates Act, U.S.C. § 631 et seg), this court is required to appoint residents of this district to a merit selection panel for the purpose of assisting in identifying and recommending persons best qualified to fill the position of United States magistrate judge

The Honorable Aaron Brown, Jr., United States Magistrate Judge, retires in February, 1995. The term of The Honorable James Allen, States Magistrate Judge, expires in March, 1995. consideration of these events, and in accordance with the related requirement for a merit selection panel, the District Judges of the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee appoint the following residents to serve in this capacity:

Allen S. Blair, Esq., Chairperson

Mark A. Allen, Esq.

Holly K. Lillard, Esq.

John Fowlkes, Esq.

J. N. Raines, Esq.

J. Houston Gordon, Esq.

Sally Thomason, Dean Special Studies, Rhodes College

Selma Lewis, Ph.D.

A. C. Wharton, Esq

is the responsiblity of this Merit Selection Panel, in

conformance with guidelines promulgated by the Magistrate Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States, to solicit through an appropriate means of public notice and advertisement the applications of qualified individuals interested in filling the vacancy created by Magistrate Judge Brown's retirement. After a reasonable period of

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recruitment, the Panel will evaluate and rank the applications, will interview qualified candidates. Within 90 days of the effective date of this order, the Panel will recommend in a report to the Court the five individuals it has determined to be most qualified to fill this vacancy.

The Merit Selection Panel shall also serve as an advisory panel to assist the Court in its determination to reappoint Magistrate Judge James Allen to an additional term. It is the Panel's responsibility in this regard to publish notice of the impending reappointment, and to solicit comments from the bar and the public, and gather any other pertinent evidence

Upon considering this information, the Panel will, within 90 days of the effective date of this order, report to the Court recommendation as to whether Magistrate Judge Allen should be reappointed to an additional term of office.

DONE and ORDERED.	
Julia Smith Gibbons Chief United States district Judge	August 22, 1994 DATE
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JUNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE JEROME TURNER	August 23, 1994
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE	August 25,1994